

Legislation Text

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PROPOSED GRANT APPLICATION AUTHORIZATION REQUEST

Department: Planning and Development

Grantee: The Forest Preserves of Cook County (the "Forest Preserves")

Grantor: Illinois Department of Natural Resources Recreational Trails Program ("RTP")

Request: Authorization to apply for grant and provide matching funds

Purpose: Tinley Creek Trail Reconstruction in Oak Forest, Illinois

Grant Amount: \$200,000.00

Grant Period: Two (2) years from execution of grant agreement

Fiscal Impact: \$110,000.00 (local match)

Accounts: Trail Accounts 51009.560063, 51026.560063, 51051.560063, 51055.560063, 51056.560063, 51057.560063, 51058.560063 and Grant Account 51010.560063

Concurrences:

The Chief Financial Officer and Chief Attorney have approved this item.

District(s): 6

Summary: The Forest Preserves is seeking a Recreational Trails Program ("RTP") grant from the Illinois Department of Natural Resources ("IDNR") for repaving of 1.6 miles of the Tinley Creek Trail. The application requires that the Forest Preserves confirm its commitment to complete the project, provide the match and enter into an agreement with IDNR if the grant is awarded. The \$200,000.00 grant would provide funding for 65% of the total estimated \$310,000.00 project cost for the highest priority surface repairs on 1.6 miles of the larger 9.4 miles trail. This portion of the trail was constructed twenty-four (24) years ago and is nearing the end of its useful life. The Tinley Creek Trail is heavily used. The proposed surface repairs would ensure that the trail remains safe and usable; and would avoid the potential threat of more costly repairs in the future.